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**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

**LISTING OF CLAIMS**

1. (Currently Amended) A securely stacking bar stool including:

a seat with a forward motion restraining system wherein said forward motion restraining system includes a plurality of cut-out portion portions of said seat, wherein said plurality of cut-out portions are formed as indentations along the sides of the seat that extend to the rear of the seat.

wherein said plurality of cut-out portions are adapted to receive the rear legs of a second bar stool when said second bar stool is stacked on said securely stacking bar stool;

a plurality of rear legs mechanically coupled to said seat;

a plurality of front legs mechanically coupled to said seat

a footrest extending between one of said rear legs and one of said front legs,

wherein said footrest includes a bend that is adapted to receive one of said rear legs of said second bar stool when said second bar stool is stacked on said securely stacking bar stool; and

a backstop restraining system wherein said backstop restraining system includes at least one of a backrest or a rear leg, wherein said backrest and rear leg are coupled to said seat and positioned relative to said cut-out portion of said seat to engage said rear

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legs of said second bar stool when said second bar stool is stacked on said securely stacking bar stool.

wherein said forward motion restraining system and said backstop restraining system operate to engage said rear legs of said second bar stool to restrain said second an additional bar stool from sliding off the top of said securely stacking bar stool when said second an additional bar stool is stacked on top of said securely stacking bar stool.

Claims 2-3. (Canceled)

4. (Currently Amended) The securely stacking bar stool of claim 3 wherein said bend partially encompasses the leg of said second another bar stool to restrain motion of said second another bar stool when the second stool is stacked on said securely stackable stool.

Claims 5-7 (Canceled )

8. (Currently Amended) A method of securely stacking bar stools comprising:  
providing a securely stacking bar stool having:

a seat, wherein said seat includes a plurality of cut-out portions formed as indentations along the sides of said seat that extend to the rear of said seat, wherein said

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plurality of cut-out portions are adapted to receive the rear legs of a second bar stool  
when said second bar stool is stacked on said securely stacking bar stool;  
a plurality of rear legs mechanically coupled to said seat;  
a plurality of front legs mechanically coupled to said seat; and  
a footrest extending between one of said rear legs and one of said front  
legs, wherein said footrest includes a bend that is adapted to receive one of said rear legs  
of said second bar stool when said second bar stool is stacked on said securely stacking  
bar stool; with a forward motion restraining system and a backstop restraining system,  
wherein said forward motion restraining system includes a cut-out portion of a  
seat of said securely stacking bar stool and said backstop restraining system includes at  
least one of a backrest or a rear leg; and  
securely stacking said second on additional bar stool on top of said securely  
stacking bar stool, wherein stacking said second bar stool includes:  
introducing the rear legs of said second bar stool into said cut-out portions  
of said securely stacking bar stool; and  
engaging one of the rear legs of said second bar stool with said bend in  
said footrest, wherein said forward motion restraining system and said backstop  
restraining system operate to restrain said additional bar stool from sliding off said  
securely stacking bar stool.

Claims 9-23 (Cancelled).